

Holly Store
Chillicothe and Fourth Streets
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Location: Chillicothe and Fourth Streets, Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio

Significance: The Holly Store is a typical expression of vernacular Art Deco/Moderne commercial design.

Description: The rounded, vertically-ribbed corner, flattened, wave-pattern cornice, and the incised surface designs mark this building as Art Deco. The simplified lettering of the store name is characteristic of Bauhaus influence.

History: Built between 1938 and 1939, the Holly Store was a New York-based chain. Its outlets were probably designed by company architects.

For more information, see HABS No. OH-2309, the William Hall House.

Source: Miami University Art Museum. Portsmouth: Architecture in an Ohio River Town. Oxford, Ohio, 1982.

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